

NINE-STORY BAPTIST CHURCH OPENS SOON

Fifth Ave. Congregation to Change Name and Location to Madison Ave.

NEW PLACE IS IDEAL

Starting in Norfolk Street, Move Uptown Has Been Gradual.

NO OFFICES IN STRUCTURE

Church in Which Rockefeller Are Prominent Gives \$260,000 a Year.

and detached houses have recently been built there, making it exceedingly fertile ground for religious work, and that it is far enough removed from business to warrant an enjoyment of several years at least before the turn of trade begins to change surroundings and atmosphere.

Pastor From 1844 to 1888.

The first pastor of the church was the Rev. Dr. Thomas Armitage, who laid the foundation for the strength and vigor which has characterized the organization since 1844, when he took charge. He was in the pulpit continuously until his death in 1888. Dr. Armitage was succeeded by the Rev. Dr. W. H. P. Pounce, president of Brown University. Until he accepted the collegiate call Dr. Pounce was head of the church for ten years. The next to fill the pulpit was the Rev. Dr. Charles F. Aked, noted for his brilliant and appealing sermons. Dr. Aked came from London, and after a brief career here he received a call from California and then from Kansas City, Mo.

Following Dr. Aked came the Rev. Cornelius Woolfkin, professor of homiletics in the Rochester Theological Seminary. Prior to his coming to the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church Dr. Woolfkin was pastor of the Greene Avenue Baptist Church of Brooklyn and the First Baptist Church of Hackensack. He came to the Fifth Avenue Church in 1912 and will celebrate his tenth year as pastor when the congregation is installed in its new home.

The name of Rockefeller, which has long been associated with Dr. Woolfkin's church, was first linked with it about the time Dr. Pounce was pastor. Many young men of prominence in the business and professional world have been associated with the church, but none has been so widely advertised as that of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. His father, John D. Rockefeller, has been a member of the board of trustees with his brother, William Rockefeller, and he is still a member of the congregation, though taking no active part in organization work and holding no active office.

Gifts From Rockefellers.

Since his first affiliation with the church Mr. Rockefeller and his family have contributed generously and frequently to its funds. Now the elder Rockefeller's gifts are controlled largely by the son, who is an active member of the board of trustees, honorary president of the Men's Bible Class, which he frequently teaches; a member of the building committee, which had charge of the new structure, and a member of the church cabinet, which is an advisory committee to the pastor.

Among the members of the church and those who are active in its organization work are Edward L. Ballard, Dr. L. Emmett Holt, James C. Colgate, Dr. Wendell C. Phillips and the Rev. Eugene C. Carder, associate pastor with Dr. Woolfkin since 1919. Dr. Carder is from Morristown, N. J.

When it became imperative to find a new place for their church it was decided to keep an open mind as to the location. Ten years ago the old site was still more or less residential, but even then its leaders foresaw events as they have happened, and began to discuss the change.

Place to Begin Work Anew.

They desired to find a spot where they could begin anew their work and to select a new section that seemed most promising for such service as the church renders to mankind. Park avenue seemed an ideal place.

The plan of the building is based upon community service. The style is pure Gothic expressed in Massachusetts limestone. It is nine stories high and houses only the church and its auditoriums with what necessary rooms there are for the usual church functions. Unlike many modern churches it contains no offices. It is the first church skyscraper built only for worship and other religious gatherings.

There are four auditoriums, the main one seating 700 and the others from 300 to 550. The men's classroom holds 500 and the women's society room, 400. The Sunday school chapel holds 550. Two large elevators carry passengers to all floors.

The church auditorium is on the street level. Below this is the men's auditorium with a series of committee and check rooms and a big kitchen for social affairs. These rooms are beautifully decorated and furnished and the kitchen is equipped with every modern device.

The women's section is equipped with a kitchen and is adequately provided with every facility for such gatherings, religious or social, as they may hold. There are special rooms for the various women's societies and the Sunday school is the most perfect center for such activities.

The organ, which is the latest work in musical instruments of the kind, is a four-manual instrument built by Hook & Hastings of Massachusetts. It is designed after specifications made by Archie Gibson in collaboration with Harold Vincent Milligan, organist of the old Fifth Avenue Baptist Church and of the new Park Avenue Baptist Church. The organ represents the first application to a church instrument built on a large scale of many refined features which heretofore have been found only in house organs.

Another interesting feature of the new building is a memorial window in the large panels, three of which are of men who were prominent in the history of the world in English letters, arts or religion, and who were of the Baptist belief, and three others, likewise prominent, who were Americans and were also Baptists. The three English figures are those of John Milton, John Bunyan and William Carey, who was the first foreign missionary to go out from England to the Far East. Carey was called the "Cobbler Missionary." Under each portrait is a medallion picturing the outstanding feature of the life of the man.

Americans in Memorial.

The three American figures are those of Roger Williams, Adoniram Judson and Francis Wayland. The Roger Williams medallion shows Williams and an Indian holding between them a

dead. Judson was the first foreign missionary to go from this country to the Far East. Wayland was for many years president of Brown University and prominent among the educators of the world.

In the Wayland medallion is a quotation which is characteristic of the man and which has been adopted by the Park Avenue Baptist Church. It reads, "Respect Your Own Conceptions."

The window is a memorial to Joel Whitney Mason and his wife, Elizabeth Thomas Mason. Mason was at one time a political leader here and attended this church. The money for the memorial was given by Joel S. Mason, son of Joel Whitney Mason, and a member of the church.

The new church has cost close to \$1,500,000. The old site was sold for \$25,000. The architect is Henry Fulton Allen & Collins of Boston.

The Fifth Avenue Baptist Church is one of the biggest benevolent contributors among the churches in America to a denominational board. It gave last year to schools, colleges, medical centers and mission churches \$260,000 and it pledged to give a similar amount each year for four years. This sum is many times the cost of the current expenses of the church.

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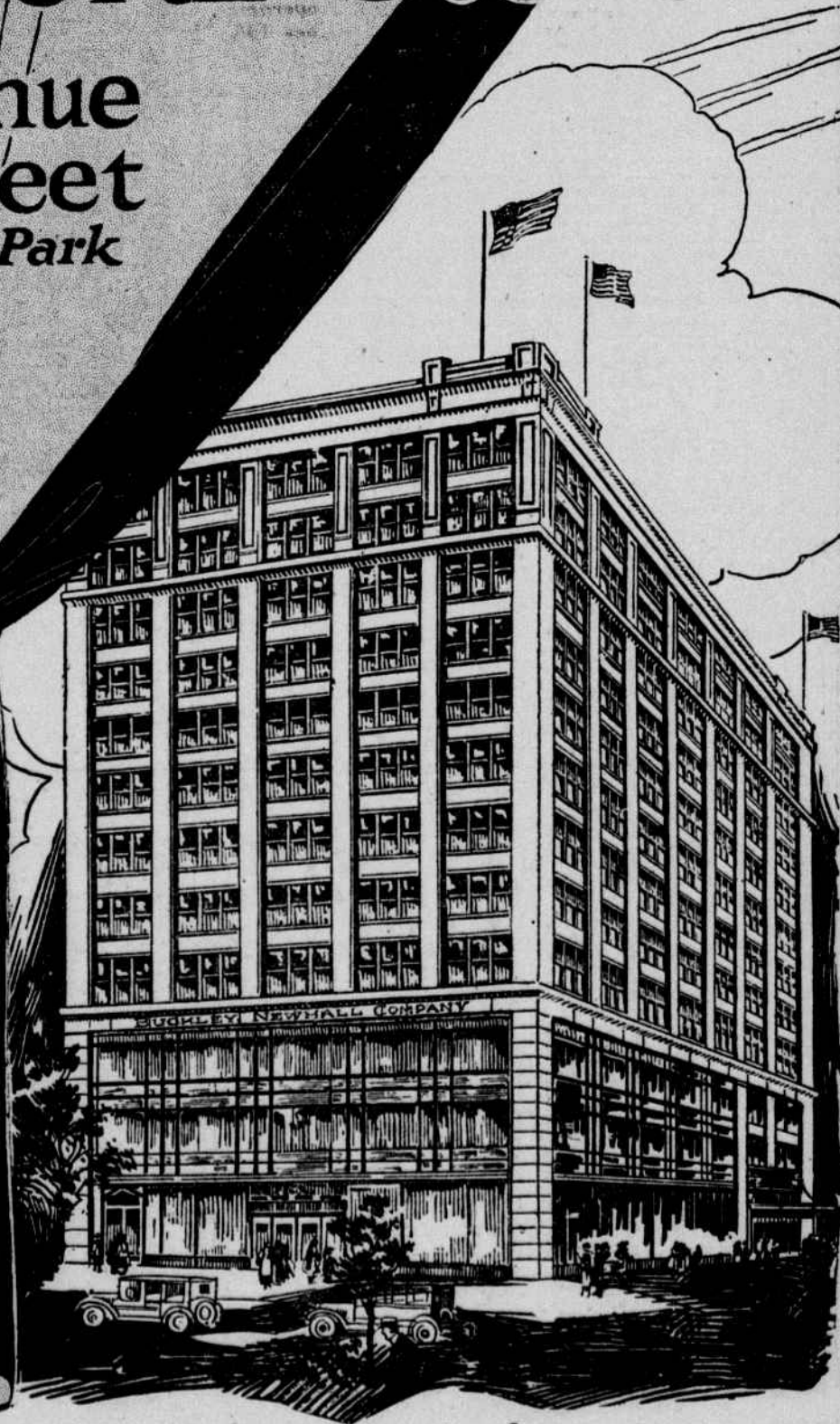
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